



# JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION STATE OF GEORGIA

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This is to provide notice to members of the Bar and the public that the Judicial Nominating Commission for the State of Georgia, established by Executive Order of Governor Brian P. Kemp, is now engaged in the process of receiving names of persons to fill a vacancy on the Supreme Court of Georgia, which was created by the resignation of Georgia Supreme Court Justice Robert Benham, effective March 1, 2020.

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You are invited to submit nominations for this vacancy. Members of the Bar may submit their own name or the names of others. The public is also invited to submit nominations. Nominations should be submitted to the Commission either by email at [nominations@robbsfirm.com](mailto:nominations@robbsfirm.com) or by letter addressed to: Judicial Nominating Commission, c/o Vincent Russo, 500 14th Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30318. Nominations must be received by the Commission no later than **February 7, 2020**. Please include a current email address for anyone you nominate.

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The application package is available on the Commission's website at [www.jnc.georgia.gov](http://www.jnc.georgia.gov). An application package will also be emailed to each nominee who supplies an email address to the Commission. Applications must be returned to the Commission on or before **February 21, 2020**. Applicants selected for an interview will be notified of the date, time, and location of their interview.

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The Commission will select and recommend to the Governor a short list from those applicants interviewed and found to be "qualified" or "well qualified" for this position.

For additional information regarding the Commission and the application process, you may visit us at [www.jnc.georgia.gov](http://www.jnc.georgia.gov).

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